

THE CITY OF EDMONTON
BYLAW 20781
COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT BYLAW Amendment No. 6

Edmonton City Council enacts:

1. Bylaw 18483, Council Code of Conduct Bylaw, is amended by this bylaw.
2. The preamble is amended by deleting:

The role of a Councillor is to be actively engaged with the electors, community, and region in a way that demonstrates the shared responsibility of being a Councillor and member of a productive Council; and

3. The preamble is amended by adding the following immediately before “Edmonton City Council enacts:”:

While carrying out their governance functions, Councillors must act in the best interest of the City as a whole, and be open to persuasion and differing perspectives;

4. Schedule A, Part A, is amended by deleting sections 1(a) and 1(b).
5. Schedule A, Part A, section 1(e) is amended by deleting and replacing “City employees, and Councillor’s employees” with “and City employees, including employees providing services to a Councillor’s office”.
6. Schedule A, Part B, section 1(e) is amended by inserting “relating to the decisions of Council or the business of the City” following “any matter”.
7. Schedule A, Part B, section 3 is deleted and replaced with:

If a Councillor becomes aware of or receives correspondence through a City-issued account or address that is a ward-specific constituency issue relating to another Councillor’s ward, the Councillor will offer to refer the matter to the ward Councillor, or alternatively, the Mayor.

8. Schedule A, Part C, section 2, is amended by deleting “, and ask informed questions of,”.

9. Schedule A, Part C, section 3 is deleted and replaced with:
If a Councillor provides information contained in records or documents at a meeting that was not provided in advance and is not available to all members of Council, the Councillor must not refuse a request to provide the information to all members of Council.
10. Schedule A, Part C, section 4, is amended by deleting “and will respect the role of City employees to provide neutral and objective information without undue influence and interference”.
11. Schedule A, Part D, section 1 is deleted.
12. Schedule A, Part D, section 2 is deleted and replaced with:

Councillors will comply with Council approved policies, and will support City employees, including employees providing services to a Councillor’s office, to do the same on behalf of the City.
13. Schedule A, Part E, section 2 is amended by deleting and replacing “at the start and throughout the” with “throughout a”.
14. Schedule A, Part E, section 5 is amended by deleting “professional”.
15. Schedule A, Part G, section 1 is deleted and replaced with:

Councillors will adhere to the pecuniary and other conflict of interest obligations prescribed by the Municipal Government Act, and will obtain advice whenever a potential conflict of interest may exist to preserve the integrity of Council’s decisions.
16. Schedule A, Part H, section 1 is deleted.
17. Schedule A, Part K, section 1 is deleted and replaced with:

Events organized, sponsored, or advertised using City budgets specifically allocated for Council use (ward budgets or Council Contingency) must be completed by May 31 of a general election year and not scheduled until following the inaugural organizational meeting of Council.
18. Schedule A, Part K, section 3 is deleted and replaced with:

Councillors who are nominated to run for re-election must not perform official or ceremonial duties at any event organized or substantially sponsored by the City between nomination day and election day.

19. Schedule A, Part K, section 5, is amended by deleting and replacing “Website and electronic mail distribution lists” with “City-funded website and electronic mail distribution lists”.
20. Schedule A, Part M, section 2 is amended by adding “and Councillors must cooperate with the Integrity Commissioner during all stages of such an investigation” after “is prohibited”.

21. Schedule A is amended by adding Part N: Human Resources following Part M:

Part N: Human Resources

1. In their capacity as supervisors of Councillor's employees, Councillors will fulfill all legislative requirements and comply with the City's policies and procedures regarding hiring, performance management, safety, and termination.
2. Any conduct of an employee providing services to a Councillor's office that may be the subject of a complaint or investigation under this Code of Conduct is deemed to be the conduct of the Councillor if the employee was acting under the direction of the Councillor.

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SIGNED AND PASSED

THE CITY OF EDMONTON

MAYOR

CITY CLERK